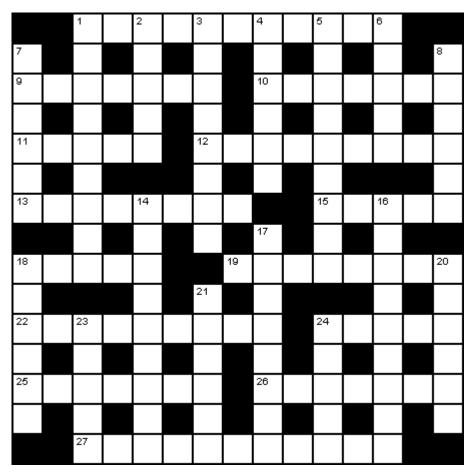
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Across

- 1 Rod's interrupted by gentle Mr. Cummings backing rate caps (5,6)
- 9 Stuffy bald husband leaves (7)
- **10** At first, idealize Connecticut in faultless movie (7)
- 11 Fit one breaks up touchdown (5)
- **12** Hatchery in Fidel's island crag (9)
- 13 Elected leader shortly got older, as predicted (8)
- 15 Tailor's pipe (5)
- **18** Poker paraphernalia from foremost of clip joints (5)
- **19** Actor Brown embraces the man's Greek character (8)
- **22** Alert obstetrician helper (9)
- **24** Armed lunatic's vision (5)
- 25 Talk about Brazilian city's mode of transportation (7)
- **26** Move somewhere else for my tremendous announcement (7)
- 27 Actress Turner arrived lacking energy; with a brief rest, left for continental crossing (6,5)

Down

- 1 Tiger seen prowling in African national park (9)
- **2** Editor accepts staff change (5)
- **3** Fated action involving flaws brought up (8)
- **4** Effect of troublemaker's performance? (6)
- **5** Popular new reporter draws on nightmares (9)
- **6** Amaze leader of team with difficult feat (5)
- 7 Computer prize friend returned (6)
- **8** Some swine are rushing closer (6)
- **14** Claim a charged particle holds hair up (9)
- **16** Well, I thaw out tire (9)
- 17 Reinterpreted rich myth in a measured way (8)
- **18** Divan takes bit of room in stoop (6)
- **20** Less sensitive song (6)
- **21** Outlaw headgear for small aggressive person (6)
- 23 Playing harps out of tune (5)
- **24** Eat, Dianne, and drink (3,2)